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Applicant: Jeff Moler et al.
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Examiner/Art Group Unit: Addison, Karen B./2834
Title: APPARATUS HAVING A SUPPORT
STRUCTURE AND ACTUATOR

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision mailed on March 3, 2003 of the Examiner's final rejection of claims 1-7, 10-15, 18. Claims 19-20 have been allowed and claims 21-24 stand objected to. An After Final Amendment was filed on July 3, 2003, which should have placed the application in suitable condition for allowance, but no response has been received from the Examiner yet. If a Notice of Allowance is received, Applicant requests a refund of fees submitted herein due to the Patent Office delay in responding to the After Final Amendment.

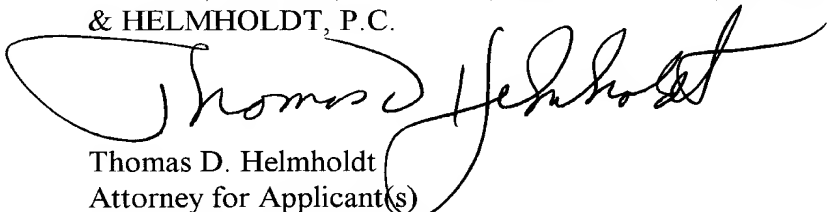
Applicant's attorney's check in the amount of \$160.00 Dollars is enclosed to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,
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